GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Telangana State Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Diversion of **4.7231** Ha of Forest Land in Kamareddy Forest Division for improvements of Banswada – Uppalwai road from Km 17/080 to 18/278 & 22/180 to 23/042 in Kamareddy District in favour of EE, (R&B) Division Kamareddy – Final **(Stage.II) approval** accorded – Orders – issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 19

Dated: 06-04-2024 Read the following:-

- 1.From the PCCF(HoFF), TS, Hyd, Ref.No.13418/2018-FCA-1, Dated:04.01.2022.
- 2.Govt. Lr.No.40/For.I(1)/2022, dt.12.01.2022.
- 3.From the Assistant Inspector General of Forests(Central), GoI,MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad, F.No.4-TSB238/2022-HYD/701, dt.12.09.2022.
- 4.From PCCF (HoFF), T.S., Hyd., Ref.No.FC1/FC03/45/2022(i), Dt.04.05.2023
- 5.Govt. Letter. No.40/For.I(1)/2022, Dated:13.06.2023.
- 6.From the Asst.Inspector General of Forests(C), GoI, MoEF&CC, Sub Office(RO, Chennai) Hyderabad, F.No.4-TSB238/2022-HYD, Dt.07.12.2023.

ORDER

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad has furnished a proposal for diversion of **4.7231** Ha of Forest Land in Kamareddy Forest Division for improvements of Banswada – Uppalwai road from Km 17/080 to 18/278 & 22/180 to 23/042 in Kamareddy District– in favour of EE, (R&B) Division Kamareddy.

- 2. In the letter 3rd read above, the Ministry of Environment & Forests GoI have granted in-principle (Stage-I) approval for the proposal forwarded vide letter 2nd read above, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated thereof.
- 3. In the letter 5th read above, the State Government have sent the report of compliance on the conditions stipulated by GoI, as submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad in her letter 4th read above, to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub Office(RO, Chennai) Hyderabad for according necessary approval.
- 4. In the letter 6th read above, Central Government have granted final approval for the proposal in para-1 above, under Section- 2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated therein.
- 5. Accordingly, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for diversion of **4.7231** Ha of Forest Land in Kamareddy Forest Division for improvements of Banswada Uppalwai road from Km 17/080 to 18/278 & 22/180 to 23/042 in Kamareddy District– in favour of EE, (R&B) Division Kamareddy, under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:
 - i. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
 - ii. Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over by the user agency.

- iii. Demarcation of the proposed forest area to be diverted shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillar duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters prior to execution of work.
- iv. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 4.731 ha non-forest land identified in sy. No 316/1, Village-Konapur, Mandal-Bibi pet, District Kamareddy and 10 ha Degraded Forest Land identified in Compartment No 257, RF Hajipur, Beat-Kondapur, Section- Rampur, Range-Banswada, at the cost of the user agency. As for as possible, a mixture of local indigenous forestry species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.
- v. A copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section- 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant section of the State Forest Acts as the case may be, shall be submitted by the State Government within 6 months of the issuance of formal approval.
- vi. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
- vii. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- viii. User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.
- ix. Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas.
- x. The User agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area/ Forest Area as per recommendations of CWLW / NBWL / FAC/REC.
- xi. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental(Protection)Act, 1986, if applicable.
- xii. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- xiii. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- xiv. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- xv. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- xvi. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
- xvii. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- xviii. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt.of India.

- xix. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation)Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the prevalent MoEF&CC Guidelines.
- xx. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 6. The Nodal Officer shall be responsible for obtaining the compliance of all the conditions laid down in the Stage-II (final) approval accorded under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.
- 7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

A.VANI PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to

The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt.of Telangana, Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN-500004.

The Regional Office(SEZ),

Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, 1st and 2nd Floor, Handloom Export Promotion Council, 34, Cathedral Garden Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai -34.

The Inspector General of Forests(C), Suboffce, MoEF&CC, Hyderabad, Regional Office, Chennai, 6th Floor, Aranya bhavan, Hyderabad.

The Executive Engineer, (R&B Dept.), O/o Superintending Engineer, R&B Circle, Nizamabad, Telangana-503001. SC/SF.

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